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**MINUTES OF APRIL 22, 2008
COMMISSION MEETING**

OPEN SESSION

1. Call to Order and Pledge of Allegiance.

Chairman Shelton called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m., and asked everyone to stand for the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Roll Call of Commissioners.

Roll Call of Commissioners was taken with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich present.

3. Approval of Commission Meeting Minutes:

A. March 27, 2008

Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the January 10 and March 27, 2008 Commission meeting minutes.

4. Removal of Conditions from Approval of Sale of Interest in an Existing Gambling Establishment (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19824(c)):

Duffy's Card Room and Casino to Sacramento Grand Casino, LLC

5. Addition of Conditions to Temporary Initial State Gambling License (Pursuant To Business And Professions Code Section 19824 (f)):

Sacramento Grand Casino: Sacramento Grand Casino, LLC (formerly, Duffy's Cardroom and Casino)

Staff Counsel Ayoade Adeniyi presented to the Commission Items 4 and 5 for its consideration of removing the conditions placed on Duffy's Card Room and Casino's license and adding those conditions to the license of Sacramento Grand Casino, as the purchaser of Duffy's Card Room. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

6. Applications for Renewal of State Gambling License Including All Associated Applicants and Endorsees (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19876):

A. Angie's Poker Club:

Angela Harris, Sole Proprietor
Holder

Gary Harris, Community Property Interest

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the application for a renewal license for Angie's Poker Club, Item 6.A., for the period of May 1, 2008 through January 31, 2010 with the following key employees: Joseph Falbe, Kathline Heath, Phillip McGuire, Waldo Miller and Joseph Rankin. Staff also recommended the removal of the condition requiring the local gambling ordinance coming into compliance with the Gambling Control Act. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

B. Club Caribe Casino: S & S Gaming Inc.:

Don Mehr, President
Secretary/Treasurer

Scott Mehr, Director Steven Mehr,

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff was revising the recommendation to extend the renewal license for Club Caribe Casino, Item 6.B., for the period May 1, 2008 through July 31, 2008 with the following key employees: Shen-Pen Hsueh, Edward Noel and Jonathan Wood. Staff also recommended the removal of the existing condition requiring the local gambling ordinance coming into compliance with the Gambling Control Act within 12 months of issuance or renewal, and adding the condition: *the California Gambling Control Commission reserves the right to require Game Source LLC, to submit an application as a financial interest holder, if further information reviewed at a later date indicates that it would be in the best interest of the public safety and welfare.*

Thomas Francis, attorney for Club Caribe Casino, requested that the license be extended through August because the club was currently in the process of getting new financing.

Chairman Shelton moved to adopt the staff recommendation with the license being extended through August 31, 2008. The motion was seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

C. Club San Rafael: Pete's 881 Club, Inc.:
Mayme Pellolio, President Robert Pellolio, Vice President

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve an extension of the license for Club San Rafael, Item 6.C., for the period of May 1, 2008 through August 31, 2008. Staff also recommended that the following conditions be removed:

The license is conditioned upon the local gambling ordinance coming into compliance with the Gambling Control Act (Business and Professions Code section 19860(a)(4)) within 12 months of issuance/renewal.

The license is extended from January 1, 2008 through April 30, 2008, with the condition that an audit of the gambling establishment's books be conducted.

Staff further recommended that the following condition be added to the license:

The California Gambling Control Commission reserves the right to require Club San Rafael to conduct an audit of the gambling establishment's books.

Robert Pellolio, President, and Barbara Harrison, Bookkeeper, answered questions the Commission had with regard to their request for a financial audit of the club.

At the request of the Commission, staff revised its recommendation to include the following condition: *Authorize, direct, and empower a Certified Public Accountant approved by Bureau and Commission from the list provided to them by Licensee to meet with representatives of Bureau from time to time and as requested, to cooperate fully and timely with the Bureau in conducting a review and inspection of Licensee's books and records, including its income tax returns, as well as those of its officers and directors, in accordance with the instructions and protocol set forth by Bureau, and to render to Bureau timely a written report specifying in detail the results of the review and inspection of the books and records. The audit period needs to include the last full Fiscal Year period of the club.*

Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

D. Delta Casino, downtown:
Delta C, LP Delta CM, Inc. Tigran Marcarian Fazel
Mostashari Chant Manoukian George Aslanian
Beatrice Ackelbein

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that the Commission staff recommended that the Commission approve an extension of the license for Delta Casino, Item 6.D., for the period of May 1, 2008 through July 31, 2008. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman

Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

E. Empire Sportsmen's Association:

Empire Sportsmen's Association, a Non-Profit Corporation

Gary Baird, Corporate Officer

Debra Baird, Corporate Officer

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve an extension of the license for Empire Sportsmen's Association, Item 6.E., for the period of May 1, 2008 through July 31, 2008. Upon motion of Commissioner Schmidt, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

F. La Primavera Pool Hall and Café: Candelario Salas, Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff was revising the recommendation to approve an extension of the renewal license for four months (May 1 through August 31, 2008) for La Primavera Pool Hall and Café, Item 6.F., with the condition that the gambling establishment establish a repayment program for their tax obligations and provide the information to the Commission by July 30, 2008.

At the request of the Commission, staff amended its recommendation to include the existing condition that the licensee provide proof that payment of the taxes are being made. Upon motion of Commissioner Schmidt, seconded by Chairman Shelton and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

G. River Card Room: The River Card Room, Inc.:

Michael Giacomini, President

Raymond Allena, Secretary/Treasurer

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the application for a renewal license for River Card Room, Item 6.G., the period of May 1, 2008 through April 30, 2010 with the following key employees: Elisabeth Chavez, Jessica Raznikov and Anthony San Marchi. Staff also recommended the removal of the condition requiring the local gambling ordinance coming into compliance with the Gambling Control Act. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

H. Wine Country Casino and Restaurant: Jack Morgan, Sole Proprietor

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the application for a renewal license for Wine Country Casino, Item 6.H. for the period of May 1, 2008 through March 31, 2010. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

7. Applications for Work Permit (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19912):

- A. Empire Sportsmen's Association: Randell Thornton
- B. Gold Rush Gaming Parlor: Michael Freifeld, Sarah Trudo
- C. Napa Valley Casino: Hannah Kim
- D. The 101 Casino: Nathan Gronenthal, Hui Xie

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the applications for a work permit for the applicants listed in Items 7.A. through 7.D. Upon motion of Chairman Shelton, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

8. Applications to Convert Gambling Business Registration to a License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19953 and California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12233):

Premier Player Providers, Inc.:
 Chantha Chhin Chanty Chhout

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the application to convert a registration to a license for Chantha Chhin and Chanty Chhout. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Chairman Shelton and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation

9. Applications to Convert Third Party Proposition Player Services Registration to a License (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19984 and California Code of Regulations, Title 4, section 12218):

- A. California Gaming Consultants:

Roan Bonner	Christopher Dade	Erik Dade
Regina K'Burg	Joshua Schmidt	Travis Seiler
Hilario Uy		
- B. Certified Players, Inc.: Haftom Gebyow
- C. Chips Gaming Services, Inc.:

Chips Gaming Service, Inc.	Alan Tang
Hank Tang	
- D. Gaming Management, LLC:

Harold Deering	Rosalie Simonitch
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- E. Pacific Gaming Services, LLC:

Athena Bakuses-Ramirez	
Rashelle Bell	Dandanel Bryant
Philip Chin-Jew	Bryon Cole
Marcos Gutierrez	William Harrison
Francisco Hernandez	Pee Ho
Joleen Jenkins	Connie Loera
Thuan Luong	Henry Mendez
Christopher Salem	Babak Sattari
- F. Pacific Palace, Inc.:

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G. Premier Player Providers, Inc.: Chantha Chinn Chanty Chhout

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve the applications to convert registration of a license for the applicants listed in Items 9.A. through 9.G. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

10. Application for Tribal-State Compact Gaming Resource Supplier – Financial Sources Finding of Suitability – Request to Withdraw (Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19869):

A. California Gaming Corporation:

California Gaming Corporation Ronald C. Clapper, Jr.

B. HCAL, LLC (HCAL): a California Limited Liability Company:

Frank J. Biondi, Jr., Director

Gary Michael, Director

Robert Miller, Director

Barbara Alexander Stiles, Director

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve, without prejudice, the requests for withdrawal of the applications for gaming resource supplier finding of suitability for Items 10.A. and 10.B. Upon motion of Commissioner Vuksich, seconded by Commissioner Shimazu and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

11. Final Adoption of Two-Year Licensing Regulations (adopt Title 4 CCR sections 12335, 12340, 12357 and amend Title 4 CCR sections 12342, 12343, 12344, 12345, 12358, 12359, including Appendix A) for filing with the Office of Administrative Law

Senior Legal Counsel Herb Bolz indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve for filing with the Office of Administrative Law the Two-Year Licensing Regulations, Title 4, California Code of Regulation sections 12335, 12340, 12357 and amend Title 4 CCR sections 12342, 12343, 12344, 12345, 12358, 12359, including Appendix A, authorizing staff to make any needed nonsubstantive changes. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Schmidt and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation

CONSENT CALENDAR

12. Applications for Renewal Work Permit (Authority Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 19870):

The 101 Casino: Leah Oba

13. Applications for Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability Initials (Authority Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

A. Big Sandy Rancheria Band of Western Mono Indians – Mono Wind Casino:
Aurapin Suong

- B. Jackson Rancheria Band of Miwok Indians – Jackson Rancheria Casino and Hotel:

Debra Biss	Tanya Crisp	Lidia Judson
William Peat	William Prinz Jr.	Kenneth Warren

- C. Morongo Band of Cahuilla Indians of the Morongo Reservation – Morongo Casino Resort & Spa:

Thomas Lavallo	Michael Llewellyn	James Spivey
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- D. Pala Band of Mission Indians – Pala Casino:

Gina Cochran	Carlos Guzman Jr.	Birsen MacArthur ¹
Eileen Moua	Ryan Slaughter	

- E. Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians – Rolling Hills Casino: Lori LaGrande

- F. Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation – Pechanga

Resort and Casino:

Ronald Benito	Adam Galarza	Clayton Hamilton
Metodija Kolev	Teresita Legaspi	Ronny Whitehead

- G. Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians – Cache Creek Casino Resort:

Aundrea Grant	Tikaram Subedy
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- H. San Manuel Band of Serrano Mission Indians of the San Manuel Reservation – San Manuel Indian Bingo and Casino: Tristar Nguyen

- I. Santa Ysabel Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Santa Ysabel Casino:

Sandra Smith

- ~~J. Sycuan Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Sycuan Casino: Michael Churchill~~¹

- K. Torres-Martinez Band of Cahuilla Indians – Red Earth Casino:

Manuel Carvajal	Juana Garcia	Nancy Quiroz
Anthony Williams	Cissy Williams	

- L. Tule River Indian Tribe of the Tule River Reservation – Eagle Mountain Casino: Jip Woudstra

- M. Tuolumne Band of Me-Wuk Indians of the Tuolumne Rancheria – Black Oak Casino:

Atheena Davis	Stephanie Holm	Sonia Johnson
Jennifer McLevis		

- N. United Auburn Indian Community of the Auburn Rancheria – Thunder Valley Casino:

Anthony Galindez

14. Applications for Tribal-State Compact Key Employee Finding of Suitability Renewals: (Authority

Pursuant to the Tribal-State Gaming Compact, section 6.4.4):

- A. Alturas Rancheria – Desert Rose Casino: Gail Clarke

- B. Barona Band of Mission Indians – Barona Valley Ranch Resort:

Alan Birnbaum	Tara Meyers	Chong Yang
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- C. Chicken Ranch Rancheria of Me-Wuk Indians – Chicken Ranch Bingo and Casino:

Daniel McNeely

- D. Jackson Rancheria Band of Miwok Indians – Jackson Rancheria Casino and Hotel:

¹ Item tabled by staff, no Commission action.

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| Larry Norick | David Pollard | Elizabeth Sheffield |
| Walter Tyler | | |
- E. Paskenta Band of Nomlaki Indians – Rolling Hills Casino:

Pamela Alf	Dennis Barnes	Arthur Felix
Mary Fox	Donna Komar	
- F. Pauma Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pauma and Yuima Reservation – Casino Pauma:
 Douglas Williams
- G. Pechanga Band of Luiseno Mission Indians of the Pechanga Reservation – Pechanga Resort and Casino:

Anthony Covington	Vernet Davis	Souksavanh Phimmala
Ariel Santos	Matthew Spurr	
- H. Redding Rancheria – Win-River Casino: Charles Hawes, Jr.
- I. Rincon Band of Luiseno Indians – Harrah's Rincon:

Dancette Carrasco	Robert Faraguna	Frank Fox
Randall Gray	Sy Hoang	Raymond Kewley
Ursula Kramer	Leslie Wallace	Tamara Williams
- J. Rumsey Indian Rancheria of Wintun Indians – Cache Creek Casino Resort:

Joey Lee	Courtney Saelee	Irene Yu
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- K. San Pasqual Band of Diegueno Mission Indians – Valley View Casino:

Mark Caputto	Kari Dixon	Lynne Lauritzen
Gina Montesdeoca	Brian Ulrich	
- L. Santa Rosa Indian Community of the Santa Rosa Rancheria – Tachi Palace Hotel and Casino:
 Jeff Levine
- M. Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Mission Indians of the Santa Ynez Reservation – Chumash Casino:

Christopher Atkinson	Oscar Flores	Gregory Gallegos
Paul Kaatz		
- N. Soboba Band of Luiseno Indians- Soboba Casino:

Robert Trostle	Jill Tucker
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- O. Viejas Band of Kumeyaay Indians - Viejas Casino and Turf Club:

Lou DiBella	Stephen Kramer
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15. Revenue Sharing Trust Fund Final Report for Distribution to Eligible Recipient Indian Tribes for Quarter Ending March 31, 2008 – Quarterly License Revenue Received and Shortfall

Deputy Director Ciau announced that Consent Calendar Items 13.D., Birsen MacArthur, and 13.J., Michael Churchill were tabled.

Deputy Director Ciau indicated that staff recommended that the Commission approve Consent Calendar Items 12 through 15. Upon motion of Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a vote by roll call with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the Commission adopted the staff recommendation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Reverend James Butler, California Coalition Against Gambling Expansion, presented comments concerning the Lucky Chances Cardroom and the Commission's action with regards to the license of Rene Medina.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion to adjourn the meeting by Commissioner Shimazu, seconded by Commissioner Vuksich and unanimously carried in a roll call vote, with Chairman Shelton and Commissioners Schmidt, Shimazu, and Vuksich voting yes, the meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.